

How Do I Report?

The acceptable methods for public health reporting of cases or laboratory results in Arizona depend on the **type of facility** and the **disease or organism** being reported.

This document refers to the reporting of each test result or each patient (for example, reporting that requires submission of the name and date of birth of each person). It does *not* cover aggregate or summary reporting (for example, reports of how many patients have COVID-19 or number of beds filled by COVID-19 patients).

For reporting of conditions/organisms other than COVID-19, influenza, RSV and coccidioidomycosis, see <http://azdhs.gov/reporting>.

Resources for the reporting methods listed in the tables below:

- MEDSIS [case entry](#) or [batch case creation](#)
- Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR) / HL7 for [COVID-19](#) or [other conditions](#)
- [Flat file](#) (available only for COVID-19, influenza, RSV)
- [Web entry for point-of-care tests](#) (available only for COVID-19, influenza, RSV)
- [National Healthcare Surveillance Network \(NHSN\)](#) (available only for skilled nursing facilities, for COVID-19)
- [SimpleReport](#) through CDC and the United States Digital Service (available only for rapid point-of-care testing for COVID-19)
- Fax (to report test results, send to 602-364-3199)
- Secure email (to report test results, send to ADHS using idreporting@azdhs.gov. Ensure the email is secure or encrypted if sending patient information!). Secure email to local health departments may or may not be available.

References for reporting rules listed in tables on next pages:

- [Arizona Administrative Code, Title 9, Chapter 6](#), Article 2 (A.A.C. R9-6-202 and R9-6-204).
- ADHS Communicable Disease Reporting home page: <http://azdhs.gov/reporting>
- Enhanced Surveillance Advisory: These are issued as [Executive Orders](#) (E.O.). The number changes each time the Enhanced Surveillance Advisory is renewed; the current E.O. for COVID-19 is 2021-07.

COVID-19

- **Any facility conducting testing**, including use of point-of-care tests, is required to report **all** test results, per [enhanced surveillance advisory](#). See [COVID-19 Laboratory Resources](#).
- **Hospitals** are required to report all COVID-19 patients within 24 hours, per [enhanced surveillance advisory](#). See [COVID-19 Hospital Reporting Resources](#).
- **Other healthcare providers** (i.e., healthcare facilities not licensed as hospitals) are required to report patients they diagnose, treat, or detect within 24 hours, per A.A.C. R9-6-202.
- Hospital or healthcare facilities performing testing must fulfill reporting requirements for *both* hospital/healthcare facilities and for laboratories, including submission of all required patient info.

Who (Facility type)	How (Acceptable methods)	What	Why (Arizona rules)
Facilities that conduct testing <i>and</i> diagnose or treat patients must meet the requirements for both facility types.			
Any facility conducting COVID-19 testing , including point-of-care tests, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical laboratory • Hospital laboratory • Non-hospital-based laboratory • Urgent care, long-term care, correctional facilities, schools, or any other facility conducting COVID-19 testing. • In or out of AZ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELR/HL7 • Flat file • Web entry for point of care tests • NHSN (skilled nursing facilities only) • SimpleReport App (rapid point-of-care testing only) 	ALL test results	Enhanced surveillance advisory
Hospital (infection prevention or healthcare reporting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDSIS case entry • MEDSIS batch case creation 	COVID-19 patients diagnosed or treated	Enhanced surveillance advisory
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COVID-19, continued

Who (Facility type) Facilities that conduct testing <i>and</i> diagnose or treat patients must meet the requirements for both facility types.	How (Acceptable methods)	What	Why (Arizona rules)
Other healthcare provider (e.g., urgent care, provider office), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthcare provider that prescribes or proctors at-home testing (e.g., testing conducted entirely outside of a laboratory or healthcare setting) • Healthcare provider diagnosing COVID-19 based on self-reported results of over-the-counter tests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDSIS case entry • MEDSIS batch case creation • Fax to local health department • Secure email to local health department 	COVID-19 patients diagnosed or treated	A.A.C. R9-6-202

Influenza or RSV

- **Any facility conducting testing**, including use of point-of-care tests, is required to report **positive** tests within 5 days, per A.A.C. R9-6-204.
- **Hospitals and healthcare providers** are required to report a diagnosed or suspected **influenza-associated mortality in a child** (<18 years old) within one day, per A.A.C. R9-6-202.
- Hospitals and healthcare providers are not required to report patients they diagnose, treat or detect (other than influenza-associated mortality in a child). However, if the facility is conducting influenza or RSV testing, the hospital or healthcare facility must have a mechanism for reporting the positive results according to one of the methods listed below.

Who (Facility type)	How (Acceptable methods)	What	Why (Arizona rules)
Any facility conducting flu or RSV testing , including point-of-care tests, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical laboratory • Hospital laboratory • Non-hospital-based laboratory • Urgent care, long-term care, correctional facilities, schools, or any other facility conducting flu or RSV testing • In or out of AZ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELR/HL7 • Flat file • Web entry for point of care tests (coming soon) • MEDSIS case entry • MEDSIS batch case creation • Secure email to ADHS • Fax to ADHS 	Positive results	A.A.C. R9-6-204
Hospital or healthcare provider that is <i>NOT</i> conducting flu or RSV testing	Not applicable	No reporting required	
Hospital/healthcare provider diagnosing an influenza-associated mortality in a child (<18 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDSIS case entry • Phone call, fax or email to local health department 	Diagnosed or suspected influenza-associated mortality in a child	A.A.C. R9-6-202

Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever)

- **Any facility conducting testing**, including use of point-of-care tests, is required to report **positive** tests within 5 days, per A.A.C. R9-6-204.
- **Hospitals and healthcare providers** are required to report patients they diagnose, treat, or detect within 5 days, per A.A.C. R9-6-202.
- Hospital or healthcare facilities performing testing must fulfill reporting requirements for *both* hospital/healthcare facilities and for laboratories, including submission of all required patient info.

Who (Facility type)	How (Acceptable methods)	What	Why (Arizona rules)
Facilities that conduct testing <i>and</i> diagnose or treat patients must meet the requirements for both facility types.			
Any facility conducting <i>Coccidioides</i> testing , including point-of-care tests, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical laboratory • Hospital laboratory • Non-hospital-based laboratory • In or out of AZ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELR/HL7 • MEDSIS case entry • MEDSIS batch case creation • Secure email to ADHS • Fax to ADHS 	Positive results	A.A.C. R9-6-204
Hospital or other healthcare provider (whether or not the facility is conducting <i>Coccidioides</i> testing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDSIS case entry • MEDSIS batch case creation • Secure email to local health department • Fax to local health department 	Coccidioidomycosis patients diagnosed, detected or treated	A.A.C. R9-6-202